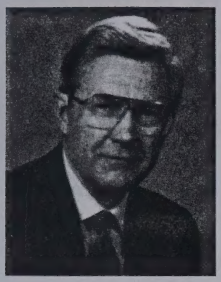
Merry Christmas!



Dear Friend,

Greetings at this most blessed season of the year.

As with many of you, the Holidays put me into a reflective mood — looking back over the past year, its successes and failures, and their meaning in light of spiritual things.

In that vein, I'd like to share with you some of my thoughts concerning the tough, often unsavory work of Colorado for Family Values. It strikes me that our struggle holds the very survival of the faith — and of Christmas — hostage to its outcome.

I remember a quiet conversation I had years ago which continues to resonate louder and louder as time goes on. As I was just beginning to consider getting involved with Amendment 2, a friend told me that this fight would "expose apostasy in the church." I didn't think much of the comment at the time. But since then, it has returned to haunt my times of reflection.

Indeed, this issue has brought me face to face with the sorry state of thinking in Christendom today. That's because this battle strikes at the very heart of the war between the dominant worldviews of our age — the Judeo-Christian and the egalitarian worldviews.

The Judeo-Christian worldview not only asserts the reality of a Creator and the necessity of knowing Him, but by doing so strongly defends the existence of absolute truth. If there is one God, only one who is above all others, then all other "gods" are either frauds or illusions. Jesus clearly said, "I am the way, the truth and the life, and no one comes to the Father except through me." That is an unequivocal, absolutist statement. It left no doubt about who Christ claimed to be, and no room for alternatives. The Jesus of Scripture would never encourage someone to explore another route to God by saying, "Hey, if it works for you ..." Though he said it gently, and kindly, his words left no room for waffling. He is God.

Now, "egalitarian" may sound like a fancy term, but it simply refers to this popular notion that "every idea is as valid as any other" or, "if it works for you, it's okay." You hear it on television, in the White House, even, regrettably, in many churches with crosses above their steeples.

At first blush, this worldview can sound tolerant, open-minded, even wise. Further reflection, exposes it as the precise opposite.

First of all, we must remember that sexual sin is condemned as clearly as any category of sins in all of Scripture. So if you're going to embrace sexual sin, then all other sins can also be rationalized away as well. And if you do away with sin altogether, you certainly don't need a Savior. Christ came for nothing. The incarnation which produced a small child in a long-ago manger was all for nought. Christmas is then meaningless, along with the rest of the Christian faith.

So, whether they know it or not, Christians who fall into egalitarianism — the belief that all ideas are valid and even equal — are in fact embracing the enemy of their faith. They forget that grace doesn't mean there are no boundaries. While Christ forgave and healed, he never encouraged anyone to continue sinning. *"Go and sin no more,"* he told the adulteress. He may have shown grace in not condemning her, but he maintained that she had sinned, and that she should restrain herself from sinning in the future.

But for those who promote egalitarianism, the only possible "sin" is a failure to sufficiently ignore your conscience, clearly quench the Holy Spirit and fully surrender to sinful behavior. This is why the worst thing that could happen to homosexuals would be to win every affirmation they seek. For even after achieving this goal, they would still know no freedom or peace, or feel the affirmation they crave. They would still feel the still small voice of their conscience and the disapproval — even when unspoken — of the faithful.

This is why no matter how grim things may look from time to time, I remain committed to this fight — and I hope you will be too. This isn't just a struggle over "gay rights," or "civil rights." This is a struggle over the very survival of our culture's Judeo-Christian foundations.

And that's why we will not relent from our committed task in the coming year. We were greatly encouraged this Election Day when Washington State voters rejected a drastic "gay rights" bill, thanks to the efforts of pro-family activists whom we've encouraged and supported for years. As long as we continue to receive support from faithful friends like you, Colorado for Family Values will continue standing in the gap through such efforts, defending the right to peaceably disagree with homosexual conduct by resisting the forced affirmation of that behavior into law.

One of the ways we intend to do this is through the upcoming publication of *The Homosexual Cover-Up*, which presents a comprehensive rebuttal of the homosexual position in booklet form. *The Homosexual Cover-Up* will help you in any discussion with those who wonder whether homosexual activists are telling the truth, and refute those who think they are.

For now we're offering, for a limited season, a reduced requested donation amount on the Amendment 2 history *Gay Politics vs. Colorado* and the novel *Refuge*. Both of these valuable insights into the dangers of homosexual extremism are available for a suggested donation of $5 apiece — both substantially less than the retail cost. With homosexual activists pushing their biased view of reality on nearly every show on television, movies and other mass media, it's crucial that we forward a defense of traditional values in media of our own.

Will you join us in this effort through the coming year?

In closing, I'd like to wish you a wonderful Christmas season, full of family closeness and a renewed awareness of God's gift of eternal life through His Son.

Sincerely,

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